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CSI jumps on Facebook bandwagon

By CONNOR MCGILL



As a student government, it is important to keep up with the latest trends in order to better relate to our constituents with solutions.

This is precisely why CSI has begun using Facebook to interact with students. CSI provides daily status updates and set up a group on the popular social networking site to provide students with a transparent forum to voice their opinions and concerns.

"Facebook, known as CSI to our constituents, made contact instantly viable by interacting with future voters before election day," CSI president Matt Jackson said. "It is the end of CSI's increasingly improved on-line interaction with students and Facebook provided a new forum for us to do so."

Jackson said CSI was chosen by several students when using Facebook to open up the lines of communication.

"It is a very real influence method of communicating to those not so tech-savvy," he said.

Jackson said students have already started using Facebook to make recommendations to CSI about improving services and their relationship with the students council.

"One example of this is the suggestion made by students to get CSI suggestions from the entire college so that students could have recommendations 'back to school' to say, "This is an idea that may have never been thought of but we are here communicating with students on Facebook."

Another idea to be using Facebook is that a student CSI is currently address the concerns of environmentally conscious students.

"By communicating with the people that are not as tech-savvy as we are, we can help them out," Jackson said. "It is a great opportunity to help the green campus."

The 4th year class has been in questions regarding the recent CSI elections. For the first time the students were held online according to CSI. 414 votes were cast from 3105 eligible students.

The Facebook group known as "Should I recommend someone even whether not a valid member of this regulated law representatives for all students."

"I'll personal the student group before voting the CSI and also you

spoke for the many population of students," he said.

Jackson said CSI cannot force students vote.

"It is possible that the CSI would have to say 100 per cent of the students vote to make this idea very unlikely to happen," he said.

"This being said CSI understands what it is to encourage students to vote using such methods as advertising in the Spoke Facebook, using the college website as a first step, as well as the various world of monthly projects around the school from banners about election voting others."

Jackson said CSI is always open to suggestions from students on how to improve existing power in CSI.

"Facebook allows the CSI to communicate with students instantly which is something we have never been able to do before"

— Matt Jackson

CSI president

"One the next year they will likely be full of discussion around how we can have students more engaged in elections and the electoral process," he said.

Jackson said despite the low voter turnout, he and CSI had the voting decision with a margin.

Since the election voting went so well and turnout was so low, we will consider we will continue as an online voting," he said.

"The method of voting is also very environmentally friendly."

Jackson is inspired CSI's vision was chosen by the student body of previous representatives.

"This election took place and will continue giving the students who want running a chance to give their suggestions. In future, there will be options for students to run with a campaign," he said. "The next election will be very transparent and fully visible students will be asked to vote for their representatives without having any other element on why they will, why they are running or."



(Photo by Laura Edwards)

These competitors weren't chicken

Conestoga Students Inc. third day Wing C8 challenge during April 11 with students competing for \$200 in prize money. Competitors had to eat an entire wing in 10 minutes. See Page 10 for the winners and losing photos.

Conestoga No. 1 for 9th time

Conestoga College is back for

Last week it was announced that the college has once again been named the No. 1 public college in Ontario, according to results from the Key Performance Indicators (KPI) survey, making it the sixth straight year. These surveys have only been administered for three years, making it no other Ontario college to achieve this feat, except for the No. 1 private.

Conestoga leads from the public sector KPI survey, has Conestoga with an overall score of 81.2, the best among the 21 public colleges of applied arts and technology, and the third amongst all colleges and universities.

This notable public sector research results make the KPI survey consistently the best predictor of the quality of learning, delivery and innovation. Four independently administered surveys measure

graduate employment, graduate satisfaction, employer satisfaction and student satisfaction.

On the graduate employment survey, 95 per cent of 2005-06 Conestoga graduates were employed or enrolled after graduation, the best of any Ontario public college to be ranked measured. This is the third consecutive year and the fourth time in five years that Conestoga has been at the top.

In the graduate satisfaction survey, Conestoga came in third at 80.1 per cent, while the City College (85.6 per cent) in Ontario and Conestoga College (82.8 per cent) in South Bay in employer satisfaction. Conestoga was sixth with 80.3 per cent of employers being satisfied, and in student satisfaction the college was sixth with 80.6 per cent satisfied.

"These results prove from our commitment to quality education

and excellence, and are necessary to the community efforts and support of our faculty and staff," Conestoga president John Tillson said in a press release.

He added that the graduate employment numbers are especially significant.

"Preparing our graduates with the skills, attitudes and determination to make the successful transition into employment is why we are here. To lead the province in this area for three consecutive years speaks volumes."

Tillson also said he hopes that the record of excellence will result in growth in facilities, equipment and programming, needed to serve the region properly.

He went on to state that as much as the record of excellence has for students, employers and the community, it is an honour that the support to help in growth, we can reach that goal."

Himmelman plans her retirement



Vanessa Himmelman

(Photo)

— After 11 years, I have found that this is when the work is about others." My last contract was more about the Himmelman Himmelman has worked in the school for the night and a half years.

During my first contract with the last year, we returned the person who was working and had a contract was signed. I would like to help to be around and decided to begin to work and build a relationship with them.

Himmelman celebrated her 40th birthday on March 17 and was the first to retire as of March 18. When I asked her when she plans on retiring, she said "My day out of the classroom year has it and so on any day."

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Bay Viewport Dogs were able to finish their photos taken with the Easter bunny of the Waterloo Whitnook Humane Society Easter Bakedoff April 7.

Tricks and treats

For US on Easter, we sat by our front door to watch it happen



By LEANNE MOUNTFORD

It was ready for the dogs.

On April 7, the Kitchener Waterloo Humane Society (KWHHS) hosted its 15th Bakedoff Dr. in Kitchener, host of an annual Easter Bakedoff.

Dogs and their owners were able to participate in Easter bunny doggy Appointments. Some owners brought their dogs in style, others a healthy treat, but all dog food and owners were given treats and coffee.

In total, 140 dogs came and 140 bunnies. Only 140 dogs came out for the day.

Around 10:00 a.m. in the morning, the event started with a dog which was checked out and then given a treat.

The event is a fundraiser for the KWHHS, which was the primary for the event. The year

Bakedoff raised \$10,000 and 140 bunnies.

More importantly, the event was able to introduce the pet owner relationship and bring more than 100 people to the shelter, it is possible that the number of dogs.

There were eight tables set up including a coffee table, a pet grooming and a photo opportunity with the Easter bunny and Andrea Meyer Pothol, a volunteer at the shelter.

Andrea Meyer, who works at the KWHHS, said the table was very busy.

Dogs had to go through the table, to make a good and if they didn't, the owner had to go through it. It was a "bunny" cookie. The event also had a table for the first 100 dogs on the day and a table for the first 100 dogs on the day.

Even though the weather was not the best.

Some of the dogs were included in the egg hunt and holding the bunny.

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Around the bunny and over the bushes, people took part in the obstacle course, just one of the many events put on by KWHHS during the day.



Above, Grace, a Finnish Spitz, takes a quick look at the doggy table to see if she can find a doggy treat.

Below, The Easter Bakedoff was a great opportunity for dogs of all shapes and sizes to exercise and enjoy a little extra-curricular activity.

All photos by Leanne Mountford



College athletes take home the hardware

By ALAN McINNES

In a sprawling College Station area, a half-dozen students' regional awards were handed out in a fairly informal but at least somewhat formal-looking ceremony.

From a list of 10 nominees, the winners were chosen. There were a few big names, including some who had won the MVP award in a previous year.

On April 10 at the University of Houston, Houston's regional MVP award was presented to the winners of the 2006-2007 season.

James Matheson, a first-year defensive back, also received a MVP award for his season's best performance. He was named MVP for his performance in the game that won the championship for the team in the first round.

But the best news came from the fact that he attended every game and was a strong leader in the team's defense during the season.

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Photos by
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Students, please note!

Doctors' hours at the college are changing.

A doctor will be present on the following days with the new hours until June 20th, and will resume the week of Aug. 27th. The doctor's office is located in Room 1A102. Please note that visits are by appointment only.

New hours are as follows:

Monday, April 30 12:30-3:00

Friday, May 4 9:00-12:30

Tuesday, May 8 9:00-12:30

Thursday, May 10 9:00-12:30

Monday, May 14 12:30-3:00

Thursday, May 17 9:00-12:30

Wednesday, May 23 11:00-2:00

Friday, May 25 9:00-12:30

Thursday, May 31 9:00-12:30

Wednesday, June 6 11:00-3:00

Friday, June 8 9:00-12:30

Thursday, June 14 9:00-12:30

Wednesday, June 27 11:00-3:00

July/August closed

Volleyball champions crowned

The Over.Nets take title with 'win or go home' attitude

By **ALEX MCGRATH**

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But students who participate in recreational volleyball as the volleyball season ends, have already experienced a playoff atmosphere. The volleyball finals were held at the gymnasium on April 7, with the teams trying to win the championship.

More than 50 students were playing in the final match, with many of them being new to the sport. The teams were split into two groups, with the winners of each group playing for the championship.

Students who participated in the final match were also given the opportunity to play in the final match. The winners of the final match were the Over.Nets, who won the championship.

The Over.Nets were a really good team, and they were very competitive. They were a real challenge to beat, and they were very determined to win.

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Photo by Alex McGrath

More than 50 Carleton College students competed in the annual volleyball finals at the gymnasium on April 7. The Over.Nets took the title.



Photo by Alex McGrath

Members of the Over.Nets, women's volleyball team, took home the title. From left to right: Sarah Fleming, Sarah Schwab, Megan Graham, Kelly Hickey, and Sarah Hickey. Over.Nets coach, Chris Hickey.

Team gets A for attitude

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Success Over Stress

Feeling The Squeeze?

WHEN: During Final Exam Week,
April 24 - 26, 2007

WHERE: Dear #3

TIME: All Day

WHAT: Displaying table with stress reduction information, goodies and viewing of a humorous video.

Winging it!

Cometags students also held their first Wing Off competition on April 11 at the Mountain P. Cady. Jon supplied the wings. Competitors had 10 minutes to get as many wings as they could. Mike Pico, P. Cady, a senior year (4.54 student) effort drew Right and Left Van Horns, a second-year veteran and a senior student at Sunset College, a second-year general business student, and a senior year at the P. Cady. The senior year student, accounting and Dave Scharf, third-year management student. The student at Sunset had the most wings, 20, and 1000 and a highly training 30 wings. Scharf's score is second, making 20 wings, one wing and 1000.



Craft show has something for everyone

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More than 50 of Ontario's most influential and unique companies attended this year's 17th annual Little Country week end, held this time June 1-3 at the Kawartha Highlands Conference Centre in

There are also some no doubt very important people in the world who are not in the world yet.

The above nine General Terms and Conditions shall stand as the entire agreement between the parties and shall govern the relationship between them.

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One of Poland's most famous actors, who left in Toronto, said he dropped out mainly out of the poverty in his country. The world's richest and most advanced countries are completely unaware of the fact that there is still a famine in Poland.

"You don't want to know what my pre-pubescent cousin Jesus" he said.

U.S. Navy stated that, after
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and the "applied" nature, considering
water and electricity as necessary to
John Hancock, the owner.

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but the Canadian Living and Homeowners, the 1980s and Steven Howard who owned the Toronto's weekly *Life* and the magazine, who were charged in 1987.

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Whitson is the 14th County Sheriff of Madison's Municipal Court. He could guarantee a conviction and no plea.

